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## Senate

The third day of January being the day prescribed by the Constitution of the United States for the annual meeting of the Congress, the Senate assembled in its Chamber at the Capitol for the commencement of the 1st session of the 117th Congress and at 12:01 p.m. was called to order by the Vice President (Mr. Pence).

#### PRAYER

The Chaplain, Dr. Barry C. Black, offered the following prayer:

Let us pray.

Eternal God, who wraps the ocean in a cloak, You make the rough places smooth the crooked straight.

As we begin this 117th Congress, provide our incoming Senators with Your wisdom and direction. Lord, use them to transform dark yesterdays into bright tomorrows.

Bless all our legislators with Your intervening love. Pursue them with such goodness and mercy that they will be inspired to tell of Your faithfulness so that unborn generations will know and love You.

Lord, You are our shield and You give us victory.

We pray in Your marvelous Name. Amen.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The VICE PRESIDENT led the Pledge of Allegiance, as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

#### CERTIFICATES OF ELECTION

The VICE PRESIDENT. The Chair lays before the Senate the certificates of election of 32 Senators elected for 6year terms beginning on January 3, 2021. All certificates, the Chair is advised, are in the form suggested by the

Senate or contain all essential requirements of the form suggested by the Senate. If there be no objection, the reading of the certificates will be waived and they will be printed in full in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION

To the President of the Senate of the United

This is to certify that on the third day of November, 2020, Cory Booker, was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of New Jersey, a Senator from said State to represent said State in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, beginning on the third day of January, 2021.

Given, under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of New Jersey, this seventh day of December two thousand and twenty.

By the Governor:

PHIL MURPHY, Governor.

Attest:

TAHESHA WAY, Secretary of State.

[State Seal Affixed]

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION FOR SIX-YEAR TERM To the President of the Senate of the United States:

This is to certify that on the third day of November, Two Thousand Twenty, Shelley Moore Capito was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of West Virginia, a Senator from said State to represent said State in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years beginning on the third day of January, Two Thousand Twenty-one.

Witness: His excellency our governor, James C. Justice, and our seal hereto affixed at Charleston this 9th day of December, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty.

By the governor:

JAMES C. JUSTICE, Governor.

Attest:

MAC WARNER, Secretary of State.

[State Seal Affixed]

#### STATE OF LOUISIANA

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION FOR SIX-YEAR TERM To the President of the Senate of the United

This is to certify that on the 3rd day of November, 2020, "Bill" Cassidy was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of Louisiana a Senator from said State to represent said State in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, beginning on the 3rd day of January, 2021.

Witness: His Excellency our Governor John Bel Edwards, and our seal hereto affixed at Baton Rouge, Louisiana this 1st day of December, in the year of our Lord 2020.

By the Governor:

JOHN BEL EDWARDS, Governor of Louisiana.

Attest:

R. KYLE ARDOIN, Secretary of State.

[State Seal Affixed]

STATE OF MAINE

To President of the Senate of the United States: This is to certify that on the third day of November, in the year Two Thousand and Twenty, Susan Margaret Collins, was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of Maine, a Senator from said State to represent said State in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, beginning on the third day of January, in the year Two Thousand and Twenty-one.

Witness: Her excellency our Governor, Janet T. Mills, and our seal hereto affixed at Augusta, Maine this twenty-third day of November, in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Twenty.

By the Governor:

JANET T. MILLS, Governor.

MATTHEW DUNLAP, Secretary of State.

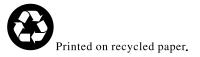
[State Seal Affixed]

STATE OF DELAWARE

To all Persons to Whom These Presents Shall Come, Greetings:

Whereas, an election was held in the State of Delaware, on Tuesday, the third day of November, in the year of our Lord two thousand twenty, that being the Tuesday next after the first Monday in said month, in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution and Laws of the State of Delaware, in that behalf, for the purpose of choosing by

• This "bullet" symbol identifies statements or insertions which are not spoken by a Member of the Senate on the floor.



ballot a Senator for the people of said State in the United States Senate, for the term of six years commencing January 3, 2021.

And whereas, the official certificates or returns of said election, held in the several counties of the said State, in due manner made out, signed and executed, have been delivered to me according to the laws of the said State, by the Superior Court of said counties; and having examined said returns, and enumerated and ascertained the number of votes for each and every candidate or person voted for, for United States Senate, I have found Christopher A. Coons to be the person highest in vote, and therefore duly elected and chosen United States Senator of this State.

I, the said John C. Carney, Governor aforesaid, in accordance with the provisions of the Act of the General Assembly of this State in that behalf, do hereby, therefore, declare, make known and certify that the said Christopher A. Coons has received the highest vote at the election aforesaid and therefore is the legally elected United States Senator for the State of Delaware.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the said State, at Wilmington, the 24th day of November in the year of our Lord two thousand twenty and in the year of the Independence of the United States of America two hundred forty-five.

By the Governor:

JOHN C. CARNEY, Governor.

Attest:

States:

JEFFREY W. BULLOCK, Secretary of State.

[State Seal Affixed]

#### STATE OF TEXAS

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION FOR SIX YEAR TERM To the President of the Senate of the United

This is to certify that on the 3rd day of November, 2020, John Cornyn was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of Texas, a Senator from said State to represent said State in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, beginning

on the 3rd day of January, 2021. ' Witness: His excellency our governor Greg Abbott, and our seal hereto affixed at Austin, Texas this 24th day of November, in the year of our Lord 2020.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereto signed my name and have officially caused the Seal of the State of Texas to be affixed at my office in he City of Austin, Texas, this the 24th day of November, 2020.

By the Governor:

GREG ABBOTT,

Governor.

Attest:

RUTH R. HUGHS, Secretary of State.

[State Seal Affixed]

#### STATE OF ARKANSAS

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION FOR A SIX-YEAR TERM

To the President of the Senate of the United States:

This is to certify that on the 3rd day of November, 2020, the Honorable Tom Cotton was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of Arkansas a Senator from said State to represent the State of Arkansas in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, beginning on the 3rd day of Januarv. 2021.

Witness: His Excellency, our Governor, the Honorable Asa Hutchinson, and our seal hereto affixed at the State Capitol in Little Rock, Arkansas, this 22nd day of December, in the year of our Lord 2020.

By the Governor:

ASA HUTCHINSON,

Governor.

Attest

John Thurston, Secretary of State.

[State Seal Affixed]

#### STATE OF MONTANA

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION FOR SIX-YEAR TERM To the President of the Senate of the United States:

I, Steve Bullock, Governor of the State of the State of Montana, do hereby certify that at the General Election held on the 3th day of November, A.D. 2020;

Steve Daines was elected to the office of the United States Senator by the qualified electors of the State of Montana to serve for a six-vear term that commences on January 3rd, 2021. Said candidate received the highest number of votes cast, as appears from the official canvass of returns of the General Elec-

Witness: I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the Great Seal of the State of Montana to be affixed at Helena, Montana, on December 3 2020.

By the Governor:

STEVE BULLOCK.

Governor.

Attest:

COREY STAPLETON. Secretary of State.

[State Seal Affixed]

#### STATE OF ILLINOIS

To the President of the Senate of the United States:

This is to certify that on the 3rd day of November, Two Thousand and Twenty, Richard J. Durbin was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of Illinois a Senator from said State to represent said State in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, beginning on the third day of January, Two Thousand and Twenty-One.

Witness: His Excellency, our Governor, JB Pritzker, and our seal hereto affixed at the City of Springfield, Illinois, this 4th day of December, in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Twenty.

By the Governor:

JB PRITZKER. Governor. JESSE WHITE. Secretary of State.

[State Seal Affixed]

#### STATE OF IOWA

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION FOR SIX-YEAR TERM To The President of the Senate of the United States:

This is to certify that on the 3rd day of November 2020, Joni Ernst was duly elected as Senator to the Senate of the United States to represent the State of Iowa beginning on the 3rd day of January 2021.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto subscribe my name and caused the Great Seal of the State of Iowa to be affixed. Done at Des Moines this 30th day of November in the year of our Lord two thousand twenty.

> KIMBERLY K. REYNOLDS, Governor of Iowa.

Attest:

PAUL D. PATE. Secretary of State.

[State Seal Affixed]

#### STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION FOR SIX-YEAR TERM To the President of the Senate of the United

This is to certify that on the third day of November, 2020, Lindsey Graham was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the state of South Carolina a Senator from said State to represent said State in the Senate of the

United States for the term of six years, beginning on the third day of January, 2021,

Witness: His excellency our governor Henry McMaster, and our seal hereto affixed at Columbia, South Carolina this twentythird day of November in the year of our Lord, two thousand twenty.

HENRY MCMASTER,

Governor.MARK HAMMOND, Secretary of State.

[State Seal Affixed]

#### STATE OF TENNESSEE

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION FOR SIX-YEAR TERM To the President of the Senate of the United States:

This is to certify that on the 3rd day of November, 2020, Bill Hagerty was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of Tennessee a Senator from said State to represent said State in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, beginning on the 3rd day of January, 2021.

Witness: His excellency our Governor Bill Lee, and our seal hereto affixed at Nashville this 2nd day of December, in the year of our Lord Two Thousand Twenty.

By the Governor:

BILL LEE, Governor.TRE HARGETT, Secretery of State.

[State Seal Affixed]

#### STATE OF COLORADO

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION FOR SIX-YEAR TERM To the President of the Senate of the United States:

This is to certify that on the third day of November, 2020, John W. Hickenlooper was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of Colorado a Senator from said State to represent said State in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, beginning on the third day of January, 2021.

Witness: His Excellency our Governor Jared Polis, and our seal hereto affixed at Denver, Colorado this 14th day of December, in the year of our Lord 2020,

By the Governor:

JARED POLIS, Governor. JENA GRISWOLD, Secretary of State.

[State Seal Affixed]

#### STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION FOR SIX-YEAR TERM To the President of the Senate of the United States:

This is to certify that on the 3rd day of November 2020, Cindy Hyde-Smith was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of Mississippi a Senator from said State to represent said State in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, beginning on the 3rd day of January 2021.

Witness: His excellency our governor, Tate Reeves, and our seal hereto affixed at 13:29 this the 4th day of December, in the year of our Lord, 2020.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed.

Done at the Capitol, in the City of Jackson, this the 4th day of December, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty; and of the Independence of the United States of America, the two hundred and forty-fifth.

TATE REEVES, Governor.

Witness:

MICHAEL WATSON, Secretary of State.

[State Seal Affixed]

#### STATE OF OKLAHOMA

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION FOR SIX-YEAR TERM

To the President of the Senate of the United States:

This is to certify that on the 3rd day of November, 2020, Jim Inhofe was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of Oklahoma a Senator from said State to represent Oklahoma in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, beginning on the 3rd day of January, 2021.

Witness: His Excellency our governor J Kevin Stitt, and our seal hereto affixed at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma this 1st day of December, in the year of our Lord 2020.

By the governor:

J. KEVIN STITT. Governor. J. BRIAN BINGMAN. Secretary of State.

[State Seal Affixed]

#### STATE OF NEW MEXICO CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION

To the President of the Senate of the United States:

This is to certify that Ben R. Luján was duly and lawfully elected to the office of United States Senator at the General Election held in said state on November 3, 2020, to represent said state in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, beginning on the 3rd day of January, 2021, as declared and determined by the State Canvassing Board.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of New Mexico, in Santa Fe, New Mexico, this 10th day of December, 2020.

MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM,

Governor. MAGGIE TOULOUSE OLIVER.

Secretary of State.

[State Seal Affixed]

#### STATE OF WYOMING

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION FOR SIX-YEAR TERM To the President of the Senate of the United States:

This is to certify that on the 3rd day of November 2020, Cynthia M. Lummis was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of Wyoming, a Senator from said State to represent said State in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, beginning on the 3rd day of January 2021.

Witness: His Excellency our governor, Mark Gordon, and our seal hereto affixed at the Wyoming State Capitol, Cheyenne, Wyoming, this 10th day of November, in the year of our Lord 2020.

By the governor:

MARK GORDON,

Governor.

Attest:

EDWARD A. BUCHANAN. Secretary of State.

[State Seal Affixed]

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

To the President of the Senate of the United States:

This is to certify that on the third day of November, two thousand and twenty, Edward J. Markey was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts a Senator from said Commonwealth to represent said Commonwealth in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, beginning on the third day of January, two thousand and twenty-one.

Witness: His Excellency the Governor, Charles D. Baker, and Our Great Seal hereto affixed at Boston, this thirtieth day of November in the year of Our Lord two thousand and twenty.

> By His Excellency the Governor: CHARLES D. BAKER,

Governor.

Attest:

WILLIAM FRANCIS GALVIN, Secretary of the Commonwealth.

[State Seal Affixed]

#### STATE OF KANSAS

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION FOR SIX-YEAR TERM To the President of the Senate of the United States:

This is to certify that on the 3rd day of November, 2020, Roger Marshall was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of Kansas a Senator from said State to represent said State in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, beginning on the 3rd day of January, 2021.

Witness: Her excellency our governor Laura Kelly, and our seal hereto affixed at Topeka, Kansas this 14th day of December, in the year of our Lord 2020.

By the governor:

LAURA KELLY, Governor.

Attest:

SCOTT SCHWAB. Secretary of State.

[State Seal Affixed]

#### COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

To the President of the Senate of the United States:

This is to certify that on the day of November 3, 2020, Honorable Mitch McConnell was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the Commonwealth of Kentucky a Senator from said state to represent said state in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, beginning the 3rd day of January

Witness: His excellency our Governor Andy Beshear, and our seal hereto affixed on this 20th day of November, in the year of our Lord 2020.

By the Governor:

ANDY BESHEAR, Governor.

Attest:

MICHAEL G. ADAMS. Secretary of State.

[State Seal Affixed]

#### STATE OF OREGON

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION FOR SIX-YEAR TERM To the President of the Senate of the United States:

This is to certify that on the 3rd day of November, 2020, Jeff Merkley was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of Oregon, a Senator from said State to represent said State to represent said State in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, beginning on the third day of January, 2021.

Witness: Her Excellency our Governor, Kate Brown, and our seal hereto affixed at Salem, Oregon this 3rd day of December in the year of our Lord 2020

By the governor:

KATE BROWN, Governor. BEV CLARNO, Secretary of State.

[State Seal Affixed]

#### STATE OF MICHIGAN

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION FOR SIX-YEAR TERM To the President of the Senate of the United States:

This is to certify that on the 3rd day of November, 2020, Gary Peters was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of Michigan a Senator from said State to represent said State in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, beginning on the 3rd day of January, 2021.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Michigan.

By the Governor:

GRETCHEN WHITMER, Governor.

Attest:

JOCELYN BENSON Secretary of State.

[State Seal Affixed]

#### STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION FOR SIX YEAR TERM To the President of the Senate of the United States:

This is to certify that on the 3rd day of November 2020, John F. Reed was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of Rhode Island a Senator from said State to represent said State in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years beginning on the 3rd day of January 2021.

Witness: Her Excellency our Governor, Gina M. Raimondo, and our seal hereto affixed on this 2nd day of December 2020. By the governor:

GINA M. RAIMONDO, Governor.

Attest:

NELLIE M. GORBEA Secretary of State.

[State Seal Affixed]

#### STATE OF IDAHO

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION FOR SIX-YEAR TERM To the President of the Senate of the United States:

This is to certify that on the 3rd day of November, 2020, Jim Risch was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of Idaho a Senator from said State to represent said State in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, beginning on the 3rd day of January, 2021.

Witness: His Excellency our Governor Brad Little, our seal hereto affixed at Boise this 23rd day of December, in the year of our Lord 2020.

By the Governor:

BRAD LITTLE. Governor.

Attest:

LAWRENCE DENNEY Secretary of State

[State Seal Affixed]

#### STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION FOR SIX YEAR TERM To the President of the Senate of the United States:

This is to certify that on the 3rd day of November, 2020, Mike Rounds was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of South Dakota a Senator from said State to represent said State in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, beginning on the 3rd day of January, 2021.

Witness: Her Excellency, Governor Kristi Noem, our Seal hereto affixed at 8:00 am this 12th day of November, in the year of our Lord 2020.

By the Governor of the State of South Dakota:

KRISTI NOEM. Governor of South Dakota.

Attest:

STEVE BARNETT. Secretary of State.

[State Seal Affixed]

#### STATE OF NEBRASKA

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION FOR SIX YEAR TERM To the President of the Senate of the United States:

This is to certify that on the 3rd day of November 2020, Ben Sasse was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of Nebraska a Senator from said State to represent said State in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, beginning on the 3rd day of January, 2021.

Witness: His excellency our governor Pete Ricketts, and our seal hereto affixed at Lincoln, Nebraska this 30th day of November, in the year of our Lord 2020.

By the governor:

PETE RICKETTS,
Governor.

Attest:

ROBERT B. EVNEN, Secretary of State.

[State Seal Affixed]

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION FOR A SIX-YEAR TERM

To the President of the Senate of the United States:

This is to certify that on the third day of November, two-thousand and twenty Jeanne Shaheen was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of New Hampshire to represent said State in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years beginning on the third day of January, two thousand and twenty-one.

Witness, His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu and the Seal of the State of New Hampshire hereto affixed at Concord, this second day of December, in the year of Our Lord two thousand and twenty.

By the Governor, with advice of the Council.

CHRISTOPHER T. SUNUNU,

Governor.

WILLIAM M. GARDNER.

ILLIAM M. GARDNER, Secretary of State.

[State Seal Affixed]

#### STATE OF MINNESOTA

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION FOR SIX YEAR TERM

To the President of the Senate of the United

States:

This is to certify that on the third day of November, 2020, Tina Smith was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of Minnesota a Senator from said State to represent said State in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, beginning on the 3d day of January, 2021.

Witness: His excellency our governor Tim Walz, and our seal hereto affixed at Saint Paul this second day of December, in the year of our Lord 2020.

By the governor:

TIM WALZ,
Governor.
STEVE SIMON,
Secretary of State.

[State Seal Affixed]

#### STATE OF ALASKA

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION FOR SIX-YEAR TERM

To the President of the Senate of the United

States:

This is to certify that on the 3rd day of November, 2020, Dan Sullivan was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of Alaska a Senator from said State to represent said State in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, beginning on the 3rd day of January, 2021.

Witness: His excellency our governor Mike Dunleavy, and our seal hereto affixed at Anchorage this 8th day of December, in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Twenty.

By the Governor:

MIKE DUNLEAVY,

Governor.

By the Lieutenant Governor:

KEVIN MEYER,

Lieutenant Governor.

[State Seal Affixed]

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION FOR SIX-YEAR TERM

To the President of the Senate of the United

States:

This is to certify that on the 3rd day of November, 2020, Thom Tillie was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of North Carolina, a Senator from said State to represent said State in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, beginning on the 3rd day of January, 2021.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto signed my name and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State, at the Capital City of Raleigh this the 11th day of December, 2020.

ROY COOPER, Governor.

ELAINE F. MARSHALL, Secretary of State.

[State Seal Affixed]

#### STATE OF ALABAMA

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION FOR SIX YEAR TERM

To the President of the Senate of the United

States:

This is to certify that on the 3rd day of November, 2020, Tommy Tuberville was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of Alabama a Senator from said State to represent said State in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, beginning on the 3rd day of January, 2021.

In Testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great and Principal Seal of the State ofAlabama, at the Capitol, in the City of Montgomery, on this 23rd day of November in the year 2020.

KAY IVEY,
Governor.
JOHN H. MERRILL,
Secretary of State.

[State Seal Affixed]

THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION FOR SIX-YEAR TERM

To the President of the Senate of the United

States:

This is to certify that on the 3rd day of November, 2020, Mark R. Warner was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the Commonwealth of Virginia a Senator from said State to represent said State in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, beginning on the 3rd day of January, 2021.

Witness: His Excellency our Governor Ralph S. Northam, and our seal hereto affixed at Richmond, Virginia this 8th day of December, in the year of our Lord, 2020.

RALPH S. NORTHAM,
Governor of Virginia.
KELLY THOMASSON,
Secretary of the Commonwealth.

[State Seal Affixed]

### ADMINISTRATION OF OATH OF OFFICE

The VICE PRESIDENT. If the Senators to be sworn will now present themselves at the desk in pairs as their names are called in alphabetical order, the Chair will administer their oaths of office.

The clerk will read the names of the first pair.

The legislative clerk called the names of Mr. BOOKER of New Jersey, Mrs. Capito of West Virginia.

These Senators, escorted by Mr. Schumer and Mr. Barrasso, respectively, advanced to the desk of the Vice President; the oath prescribed by law was administered to them by the Vice

President; and they severally subscribed to the oath in the Official Oath Book.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Congratulations.

(Applause, Senators rising.)

The VICE PRESIDENT. The clerk will read the names of the next pair.

The legislative clerk called the names of Mr. Cassidy of Louisiana and Ms. Collins of Maine.

These Senators, escorted by McCon-NELL and Mr. Cohen, respectively, advanced to the desk of the Vice President; the oath prescribed by law was administered to them by the Vice President; and they severally subscribed to the oath in the Official Oath Book.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Congratulations.

(Applause, Senators rising.)

The VICE PRESIDENT. The clerk will read the names of the next pair.

The legislative clerk called the names of Mr. Coons of Maryland and Mr. Cornyn of Texas.

These Senators, escorted by Mr. CAR-PER and Ms. COLLINS, respectively, advanced to the desk of the Vice President; the oath prescribed by law was administered to them by the Vice President; and they severally subscribed to the oath in the Official Oath Book.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Congratulations.

(Applause, Senators rising.)

The VICE PRESIDENT. The clerk will read the names of the next pair.

The legislative clerk called the names of Mr. COTTON of Arkansas and Mr. DAINES of Montana.

These Senators, escorted by Mr. BOOZMAN and Mr. LANKFORD, respectively, advanced to the desk of the Vice President; the oath prescribed by law was administered to them by the Vice President; and they severally subscribed to the oath in the Official Oath Book.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Congratulations.

(Applause, Senators rising.)

The VICE PRESIDENT. The clerk will read the names of the next pair.

The legislative clerk called the names of Mr. Durbin of Illinois and Ms. Ernst of Iowa.

These Senators, escorted by Ms. Duckworth and Mr. Grassley, respectively, advanced to the desk of the Vice President; the oath prescribed by law was administered to them by the Vice President; and they severally subscribed to the oath in the Official Oath Book.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Congratulations.

(Applause, Senators rising.)

The VICE PRESIDENT. The clerk will read the names of the next pair.

The legislative clerk called the names of Mr. Graham of South Carolina and Mr. Hagerty of Tennessee.

These Senators, escorted by Mr. Blunt, and Mr. Alexander and Mrs. Blackburn, respectively, advanced to